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SUCCESSOR TO TITO?



It has been reported that Soviet Prime Minister Stalin has ordered the stage set for a coup d'état in Yugoslavia and is understood to have designated as successor to Tito, if the coup succeeds, Col. Gen. Peko Dapcevic (above), now believed to be in Moscow.—AP Picture.

Tito's Life In Danger

London, Aug. 29.—Mr. Clare Hollingworth, correspondent of "Observer" who recently returned from Belgrade, wrote today that few people in the Yugoslav capital appear to doubt "there will be a series of attempts on Marshal Tito's life."

Under the headline "Tito's Fight For Life," Mr. Hollingworth writes that "while Marshal Tito lives, Russia will find it hard to subdue him by any means short of war. Everything depends on Tito's life." Mr. Hollingworth wrote that in his opinion, Marshal Tito's "unshakable resolve to keep hold of the army" against Russia's desire to make it an auxiliary force of the Red army, was the basic reason for the split. He described that the secondary reason was Marshal Tito's view that Communism was a flexible instrument rather than a "rigid and unyielding code to be" (Continued on Page 5)

EDITORIAL

Govt. Silence On Policy

THERE is no need to apologise for alluding yet again to Government's shortcomings in the field of public information. They are sufficiently notorious to justify constant comment. In those countries, states, counties, cities, towns and villages where government is by representation, it is an accepted procedure to make regular official statements regarding policy in relation to matters and actions of general public interest and welfare. In Hongkong the last thing Government ever thinks of doing is to give the slightest indication of its policy; in fact the public, not altogether unreasonably, often suspects that Government has no policy. The official determination to behave like an oyster when the subject of long or short-term policy is mentioned is more than passing strange in view of the Imperial Government's firmly established system of taking the public more and more into its confidence both as far as domestic and foreign policies are concerned. The Public Relations Officers attached to practically every official department spend as much time producing statements explaining policies and intentions as they do preparing propaganda releases detailing "operational accomplishments." And should a policy line demand a higher level of publicity, Ministers are only too eager to get up in the House of Commons and explain principles and programmes. Seldom, if ever, does any member of Legislative Council in Hongkong request a Government statement on policy. The habit has developed of allowing Government to pursue whatever course it has chosen and then mildly to criticise when it is too

late to make any fundamental alterations. Government, for example, has never made a declaration of its policy regarding the housing problem, except in the negative form of denying any desire or intention of becoming a landlord. Vague promises have been made to private enterprise of official assistance in the development of approved housing schemes, but Government has not yet indicated publicly the limits of its assistance. A full and decisive statement which would enable the public to know just how sincere is Government's desire to encourage house building is obviously called for. Co-operative housing schemes have been blueprinted and one, at least, held up because of the lack of financial assistance. Apart from paying a certain amount of lip tribute to the idea of co-operation, Government has not yet plainly indicated its attitude, nor expressly stated to what extent it is prepared to encourage any such community movement. A properly organised co-operative society could become a community asset of considerable importance to the Colony. But it would require official backing, especially in the initial stages—backing to the extent of a substantial loan and the granting of one or more sites. Is Government prepared to make a statement of policy concerning any such project? Unless and until it is there can be no encouragement for community minded residents to embark on any such undertaking. With encouragement there are good reasons to believe that some enterprising people can be found to translate the idea of a co-operative society into a successful reality.

RAMADIER REFUSES TO FORM NEW GOVT.

Schuman Invited To Solve French Crisis

Paris, Aug. 29.—M. Paul Ramadier, a former Socialist Premier, who had been asked by M. Vincent Auriol, the President of the Republic, to form a new Government, tonight refused the Presidential invitation, the French news agency reported.

M. Robert Schuman, the Popular Republican, was asked by the President to accept the task of forming a Government to replace the month-old Coalition Cabinet of M. Andre Marie, which fell early yesterday, the agency added.

Leaderless France was earlier today waiting to see whether M. Ramadier would accept President Auriol's request. M. Ramadier, to whom the President offered the Premiership this morning, said that he would give his answer at 6.00 p.m. BST today after consultations with his Socialist colleagues and with other party leaders.

He was given an even chance of getting enough support from the other parties to succeed. He saw M. Marie, the outgoing Radical Premier, and among M. Ramadier's other callers at the Ministry of the Interior were M. Leon Blum, veteran Socialist leader, M. Rene Mayer, the outgoing Radical Minister of National Defence, M. Francois Monthon, President of the Popular Republican group in the National Assembly, M. Claudius Petit, President of the Democratic Socialist and Resistance group, M. Gabriel Cudenet, President of the Radical group, and M. Leon Jouhaux, the veteran trade union leader, now General Secretary of the Force Ouvriere trade unions.

STERN MEASURES NEEDED
Meanwhile, it was learned that M. Auriol had left the Elysee Palace for Rambouillet, his summer residence.

M. Ramadier earlier today declared: "Stern financial and economic measures must be taken. Their burden must fall equally on all the elements of the nation."

"The Government must be assured of lasting a certain time. I estimate that the new Government must remain in power until June 30, 1949, when it will be able to draw up a balance of the situation. "What we need is not a Coalition Government but a Government of action, prepared to make all the necessary sacrifices inferred that he intended to try to form a Coalition—excluding the Communists—

with a drastic economic programme; or, if the other parties would not agree, to form an all-Socialist Government. It was generally believed that he would find it difficult to obtain the other parties' support, and even more difficult to obtain the necessary 311-vote majority in the Assembly.

Radicals, Moderates, and even Popular Republicans blame the Socialists for the fall of the last two Governments. Should M. Ramadier refuse to form a Cabinet, it is considered likely that President Auriol will call on M. Schuman.

The first crisis was the downfall of M. Schuman's Government in July, when the Socialists, who themselves dominated the question of the military budget, which they wanted to cut more drastically than M. Schuman. The second was the downfall of M. Marie's Government early yesterday.—Reuter.

Rising Living Costs Worry TUC

London, Aug. 29.—A red-hot battle over Britain's rise in living costs is likely to be waged at the 18th Trades Union Congress opening on September 6 at the seaside town of Margate.

The number and tone of the resolutions on the agenda indicate the heavy and growing resentment at the results of the Government's six-month old policy of freezing wages and prices.

Nine resolutions protesting at the mounting prices are down for debate, and one—put forward by the National Union of Vehicle Builders—bluntly asks Congress to tell the Government it no longer supports its policy because that support has dependent on some reduction of prices and a curbing of bigger profits.

"PROFOUND CONCERN"
Expressing "profound concern" at the prices "which are the cause of a serious decline in working class living standards," one resolution urges the removal of the purchase tax from a wide range of consumer goods.

The Electrical Trades Union also calls for a decrease in indirect taxation and demands more rigid control of prices by extending price control to unlicensed and uncontrolled commodities.

Altogether 88 resolutions, on subjects ranging from industrial disputes to trade with Russia, will come before the 800 men and women representing nearly 8,000,000 workers who attend the Conference. They will provoke about 200 speeches in the five days the Congress lasts.

Resolutions calling for more trade union control of the nationalised industries will conflict with the General Council's report which dismisses the idea of unions and management sitting together as a danger to trade union independence.—Reuter.

STRIKE AGAINST RENT INCREASES

Bristol, Aug. 29.—Seventeen thousand tenants of the Town Council's flats here have started a strike against rent increases of 12/6 a week. At a meeting, the strikers stressed that the Council is raising the rents higher than private landlords.—Reuter.

Persona Non Grata



The United States has demanded that Russia recall Consul-General Jacob I. Lomakin (above) from his post because of his conduct in the Soviet refugee teacher case in New York. The demand was made in a strongly worded note which the State department published after sending it to the Soviet Embassy in Washington.

Off To Kremlin Again

Moscow, Aug. 29.—The three Western envoys in Moscow will probably meet Mr. V. M. Molotov tomorrow in what might be one of the most important sessions in the present talks on Germany.

Developments in Moscow today were the reception of an important reply from one of the Western capitals.

A full dress 45-minute meeting of the three Western envoys was held at the United States Embassy, when it was decided to request for another conference with V. M. Molotov.

If the customary procedure is followed, the meeting will probably be arranged for tomorrow. There is a good possibility the agreement will be reached.—Associated Press.

TWO-HOURS' CONFAB

Moscow, Aug. 29.—The United States Ambassador, General Walter Bedell Smith, the French Ambassador, Mr. Yves Chataignier, and the British special envoy, Mr. Frank Roberts, met for nearly two hours in Mr. Smith's office early today. The three Western spokesmen were believed to be awaiting a call from the Kremlin for another conference with Soviet leaders.

(Informal sources in London said the long awaited communiqué, in being delayed by "technical changes" apparently being made in Moscow. They predicted that a meeting in Berlin of the four military governors in Germany would be one of the first results of the announcement.)

No statement was issued on the conference of the three Western envoys. It was generally believed, however, that they met to discuss details of the communiqué and possible effects of the fall of the French Government on the Moscow talks.

An American spokesman, asked whether the communiqué would be issued today, said "I don't know." Yesterday the same spokesman said that no statement was expected immediately.

NORMAL CONTACTS

Mrs. Srimati Pandit, Indian Ambassador to Moscow, denied reports that the British Dominion representatives here are being informed in detail on the progress of the four power conference.

Mrs. Pandit said that Mr. Roberts was "maintaining normally close contact" with envoys from Canada, New Zealand, Australia and India, but that they had been given only the "broadest general information" about top secret negotiations.—Reuter.

Troops & Police Search Johore For Terrorists

COMMUNISTS ATTEMPTING TO SEIZE TRADE UNIONS

Singapore, Aug. 29.—A large force of Singapore police, Gurkhas and Inniskilling Fusiliers today "swept" the Pontian Peninsula, Johore State, 10 miles west of Singapore Island, following reports of terrorists training there.

An Army spokesman said the sweep was a precaution against the spread of terrorism to the island. Johore State is under the military command of Singapore, it was announced yesterday.

An Auster spotting plane and Spitfires patrolled overhead while the police landed on the Peninsula from the sea. Gurkha units sealed the outlets and the Fusiliers combed the area. No terrorists were contacted, but several Chinese were detained for questioning.

An attempt to organise a Communist underground movement among trade unionists has been discovered in Perak, Malaya's richest tin producing State. It was reported from Ipoh.

Thirty-year-old Fong Choon-loy, Chairman of the now illegal Communist dominated Perak Federation of Trade Unions, has issued a manifesto declaring that the Federation had not been dissolved, and that all European capitalist concerns would be the object of attack.

DESTRUCTIVE MISSION

The Federation was now to be linked to the Malayan People's Anti-British Army, to which all the Federation's funds had been transferred, the manifesto said. All workers were to give their active support to the Malayan Communist Party, contributing supplies, funds and intelligence.

Fong said that mission was "to destroy the British Fascist imperialism and to establish self-government for Malaya."

"The strength of the Malayan racial emancipation lies in the labouring classes," the manifesto said. "Malayan trade unionism cannot be separated from this movement."

"Two roads lie before us. The one, surrender and appeasement, would be the road to slavery. The other, fighting for our lives, is the road to racial emancipation. "The time has come for you to decide and advance."

MR MACDONALD ON TOUR

Fong would up his manifesto by declaring that "MacDonald will undoubtedly get a similar ending to Yamashita." General Temoyuko Yamashita, the Japanese General who took Singapore in February 1942, and the former Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese forces in the Philippines, was hanged in February, 1946, after being tried as a war criminal.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Commissioner General in South East Asia, has been touring some of the trouble spots in Malaya.

Fong, one of the 12 wanted men for whom the Malayan Federation Government last week offered a reward totalling Str. \$120,000, was believed to have written his manifesto recently in his headquarters somewhere in Perak.—Reuter.

HINT TO COL GRAY

Singapore, Aug. 29.—The influential Straits Times in an editorial today declared that there was "uneasiness in Malaya that the control of Malaya affairs is passing into the hands of men who are newcomers to the country at a time when it faces its greatest peacetime crisis."

Referring to the rumoured appointment of Sir Henry Gurney, former Chief Secretary to the Palestine Government, as Malaya's High Commissioner, the Straits Times expressed satisfaction with the present acting High Commissioner, Sir Alec Newbould, who was a Malayan civil servant before the war.

"Many people in Malaya want no change," the paper added. Pointing out that another "ex-Palestine" Colonel W. N. Gray, former Inspector General of the Palestine police, had recently been appointed Malayan Police Commissioner and that 600 ex-Palestine police had been transferred to Malaya, the newspaper said that there were rumours that Colonel Gray's second-in-command would also be an "ex-Palestine."

Recent developments had disturbed the Malayan police and the newspaper urged Colonel Gray not only to use his aggressive leadership against the terrorists but also sympathetically to handle the officers and men under him.—Reuter.

Madras Village Disturbance

Bombay, Aug. 29.—Armed reinforcements were being rushed tonight to Polampalli village, 60 miles from Bezawada, Madras Province, following a clash between Razakars (a Moslem military organisation) and the Madras police. It was officially learned. Reports stated that the Razakars were supported by Hyderabad troops. A despatch from Bangalore said the Mysore State Government has taken precautions to meet any emergency and in particular against possible gun-running and arms smuggling into Hyderabad from Mysore. Proprietors of hotels and lodging houses have been ordered to report to the police the arrival and departure of people coming into Mysore from Hyderabad and Pakistan, and guards have been posted at power houses, pumping stations and telephone exchanges.—Reuter.

But Can The Dream Come True?

EUROPEAN UNITY

London, Aug. 29.—The dream of European unity will—at least for a few fleeting days—assume concrete shape this week in the Swiss lakeside resort of Interlaken, when 250 members of European Parliaments assemble there to talk about a "Federal Constitution" for Europe.

Their aim is to urge on the nations of Europe the immediate convocation of a Constituent Assembly for Europe and to draft out the principles of a European Constitution.

British leaders of the European Parliamentary Union, which is calling the Interlaken Congress, have explained that at the week's meeting each of the 17 Parliaments expected to be present would dispose of a number of votes corresponding to the millions of their national population. Thus Britain will have 48 votes, Italy 47, France 45, Belgium 40 and Switzerland 40.

INVITED COUNTRIES

All nations "living between the Pyrenees and the Iron curtain" will be represented, it was stated.

Parliamentarians have been invited from Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Elze, France, Western Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland and Turkey.

All the 11 Parliaments of Western Germany as well as the Parliament of the Saar will be represented. At least two draft plans for a European Assembly will be ready (Continued on Page 5)

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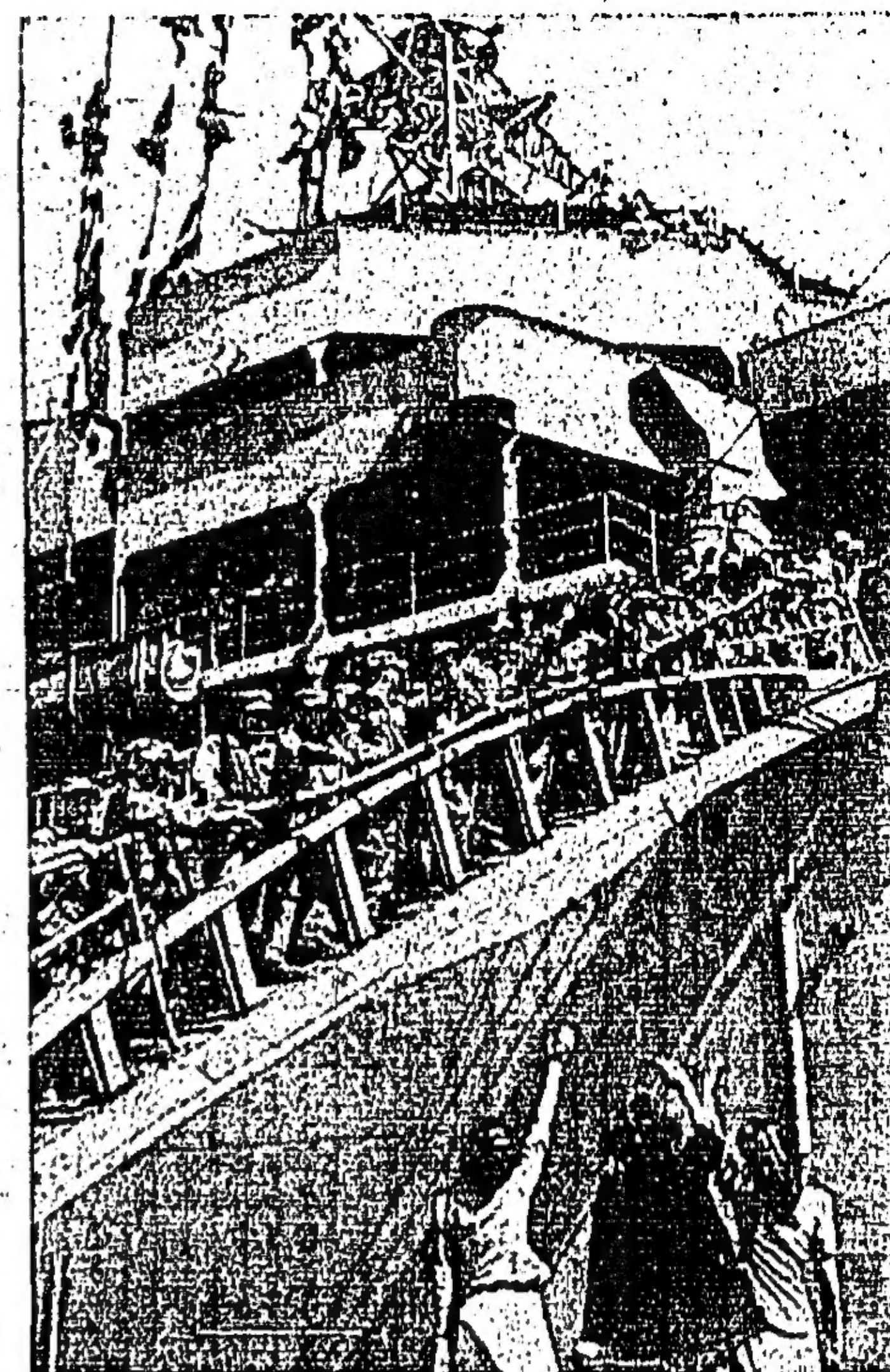
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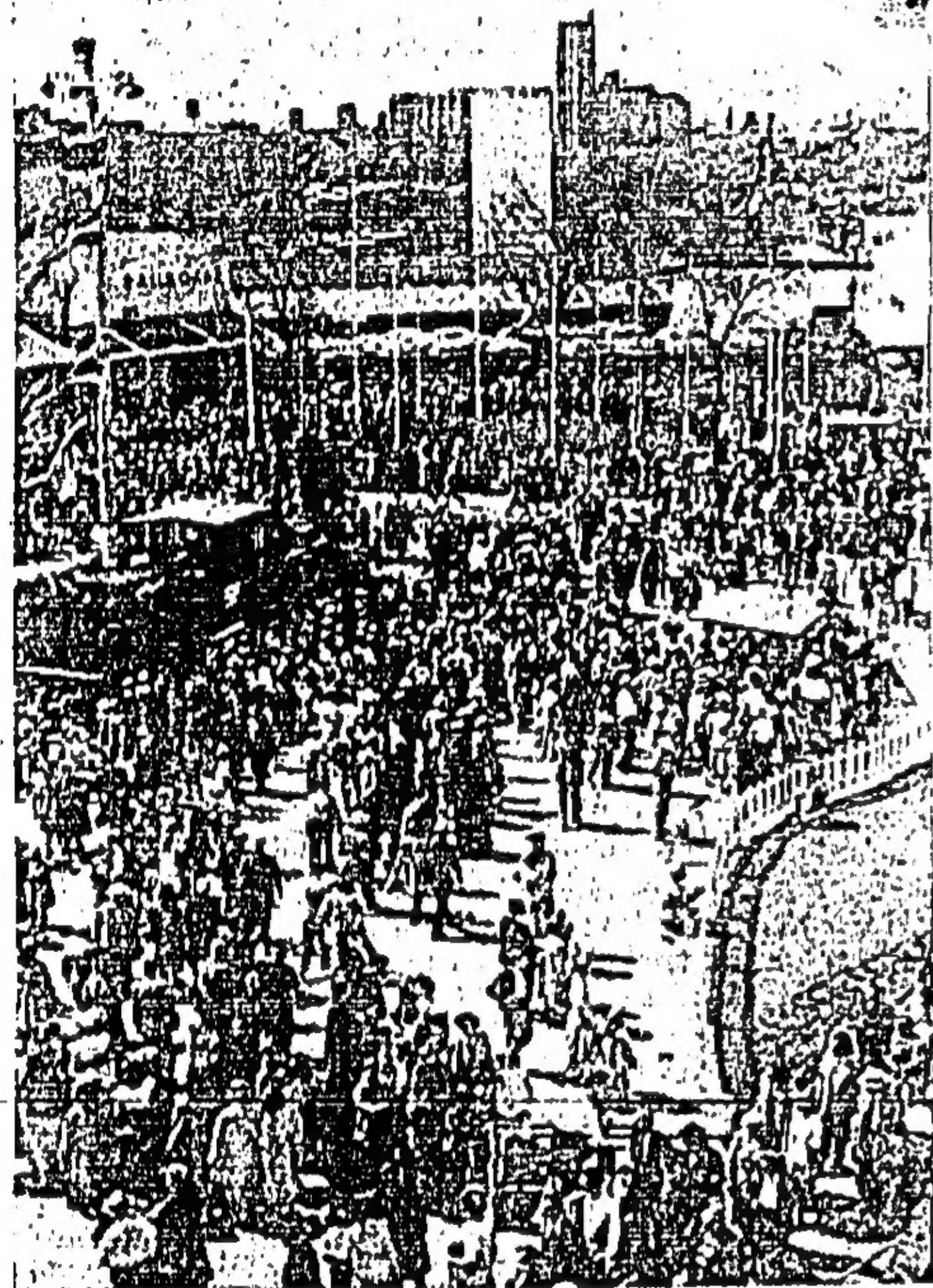
WATCH THE BALL—"Keep your eyes on the ball" is sound advice to athletes. But Vonnie Hoffman makes it difficult to heed that admonition as she frolics on the beach at Panama City, Florida.



RUNAWAY STREET CAR—Fifteen persons were injured when this Kansas City street car jumped the tracks, sideswiped a utility pole and careened a block downhill out of control after colliding with a cattle truck. The impact of the truck broke some of the pipes connected to the street car's air brakes. The brush with the pole ripped out an upper rear section of the car about five feet square and completely demolished the front section.



SHOVIN' OFF—Three girls wave bon voyage to these New York leathernecks boarding the USS Mt Olympus for two weeks' summer training. Departure of the group of 260 marked the sixth anniversary of the Marine landing at Guadalcanal.



STILL GOING STRONG—Crowds continue to pour into Chicago's Railroad Fair, completing its first month on display. Sponsored by American railways, the transportation show continues to draw thousands of Chicagoans and tourists daily.



COMPULSORY CLEAN-UP—"Too heartsick" over illness and family troubles, was the way William A. Cain (left) explained the three-foot pile of decayed food, tin cans and other trash piled up in his San Francisco room (right). A "heartless" health board ordered him to clean up the mess, threatening prosecution if he failed to comply.



THREE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES—President Truman, who is a candidate for re-election himself, congratulates the two candidates for presidency of the Girls' Nation, holding sessions in Washington under auspices of the American Legion. Lillian Wong is at left, Kennon Delthley at right.

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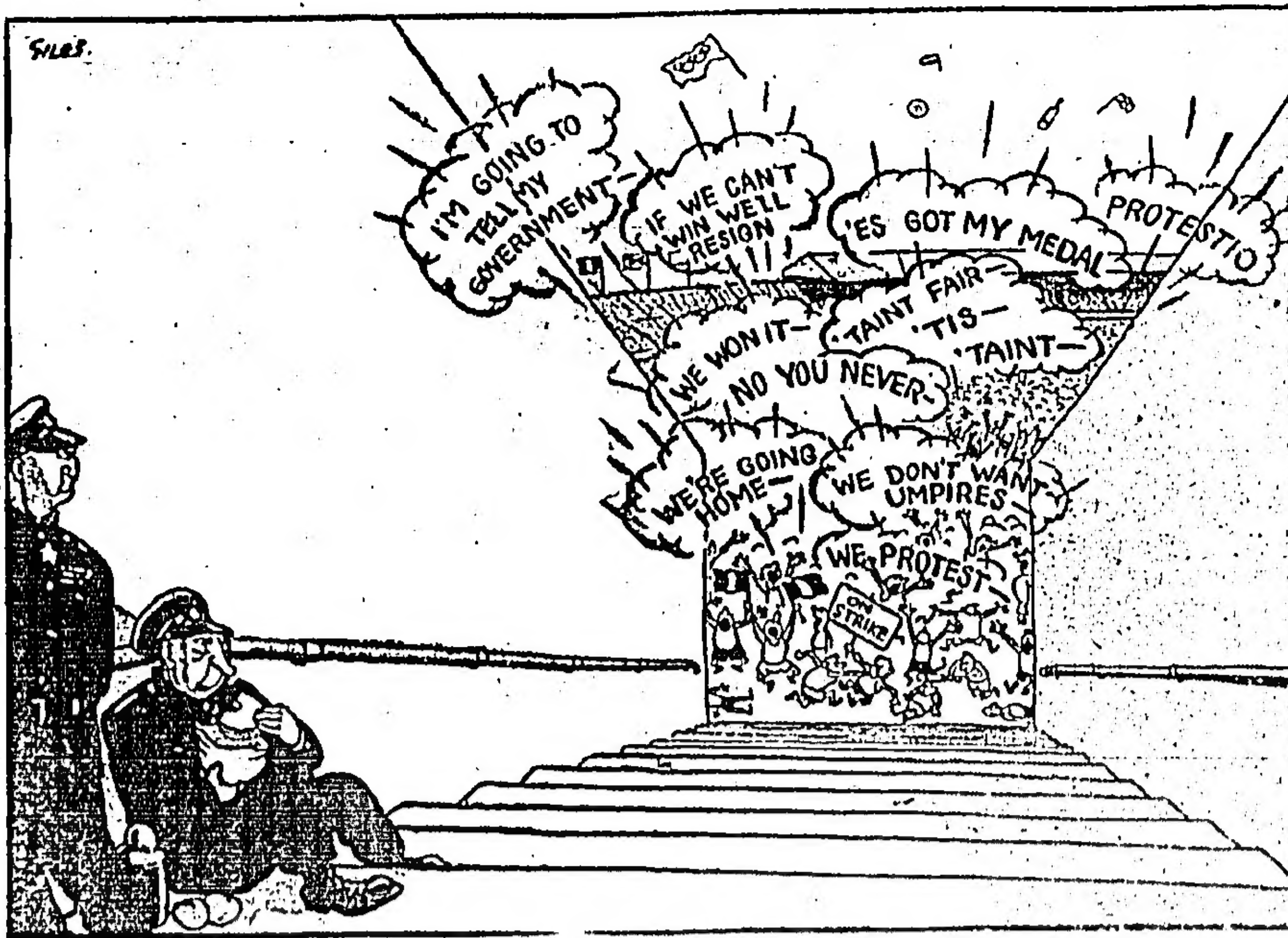
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So Much To Sell, But No One To Buy

by GERALD SCHEFF

A BRITON in Belgium is liable to be stopped in the street and asked: "Why doesn't your Government let the tourists come here?"

Belgians are puzzled that Britons are allowed to spend £35 in the ex-enemy countries of Italy and Austria, and in Spain, but not a penny with the little Ally of two wars.

Yet Belgian shops are packed with British exports from toothpaste to typewriters.

All along this off-the-ration, over-the-counter coasting—three hours by boat away from Dover—there are shop-windows such as those in Britain have not seen for years.

There are millions of English cigarettes, mounds of whipped cream and tender steaks.

The streets are brilliantly lit, with American limousines and British cars everywhere—but there are no tourists.

Premier Spaak says he has done everything possible to persuade Sir Stafford Cripps to lift the British ban.

150,000 'out'

M. Camille Eliebout, president of the Belgian Seaside Hoteliers' Association, wrote Sir Stafford saying: "More than 150,000 hotel workers will be thrown out of work if something is not done."

Two final offers are being made to Britain—the first a £1,000,000 interest-free loan repayable in 20 years; the second the offer of an order for six merchant ships from British yards.

The proprietor of an Ostend hotel with 120 bedrooms has today two guests. He spent £30,000 on re-furnishing for an expected rush of British visitors.

Not a guest

A large hotel at Heyst is without a guest because its directors contracted to place all the rooms at the disposal of a British agency.

M. Gustave Nellins, controller of casinos at Knokke, Ostend and Chaudfontaine, told me that he has spent £250,000 in Ostend alone since the war.

For the casino at Knokke huge chandeliers and high lemon-coloured draperies were imported from Venice. Two new night clubs were opened, one a "champagne only."

Belgian hoteliers asked me: "Is it that Sir Stafford Cripps will not let your people come because he does not want them to see our prosperity and the quick way we recovered from the war as a result of the policy of incentives for the workers?"

Away from the seaside Belgium remains an oasis of well-being on a drab Continent.

In Brussels the women are better dressed than last year and the men just a shade more sleek and contented.

The Belgians laugh at stories that their wealth is derived from uranium found in the Congo. They attribute it to hard work and freedom for initiative.

High prices

This does not mean that Belgium is a paradise for all.

Employers talk of a coming crisis and complain of a crippling 18½ percent "social security" levy they must pay on top of wages. Workers grumble at the cost of living.

Prices are high. Butter is 4s. 7d. a lb., and a 2lb. loaf nearly 1s. In a food store prices for tinned foods are: Newfoundland lobster, 9s.; Hungarian chicken galantine 1s. 4½d.; a small tin; soups, 1s. smoked salmon, 4s. 3d.; Norwegian herrings, 1s. 6d.

Cream pastries are 9d. each in the smallest cafe while a small but exotic layer cake may cost 12s. 6d.

6s. a lb. toffee

High-class shops on the Brussels boulevards display men's felt hats at £3 to £4 each; women's leather handbags from £5 to £20; lizard-skin shoes at £18 a pair; poplin shirts for £2.

Toilet articles from Britain are shockingly expensive, while our toffees are priced at 6s. a lb.

But nothing remains "sous le main"—the Belgian equivalent of "under-the-counter." Sugar is the only commodity still rationed, but it can be bought freely.

In general, Belgians pay less rent than people do in Britain. Their cigarettes are 1s. for 20, and beer is 7d. a glass.

'White Lady'

Before boarding the boat Prince Baudouin to go home I shared a mammoth icecream which the Belgians call "White Lady." Here is the recipe:—

4 pints of milk.
 1 pint of fresh cream
 ½lb sugar.
 10 eggs—yolks only.
 Vanilla.
 Hot-chocolate sauce.

Now for the other side of the picture. Britain's Treasury is "sympathetic" towards the Belgian seaside hoteliers, but says that no way has yet been found of arranging tourism which would not cost Britain some of her slender gold reserves.

An official said: "A loan from Belgium would merely be putting off the evil day of repayment. The offer of an order for ships to be built in Britain is more acceptable, but the trouble is that our yards have big contracts on hand and there are long delays."

INTRODUCING—



—THE CHUTER SUIT

by VICTOR TODDINGTON

DECISION to give Britain's policemen a New Look is no passing whim of a police Christian Dior.

Every policeman in the country below the rank of inspector was invited to express his opinion, more than 98 per cent did so. Only 9.8 per cent wanted to keep the checkered necker. This is how the others voted:—

Open necked jacket all the year round—40.6 per cent.

Open neck in summer, closed in winter—40.6 per cent.

Already the London policeman is talking of his "Chuter suit." But it is likely to be 1950 before he wears it.

There are sufficient supplies at the Receiver's Stores at Lambeth to last another two years.

This is what the well-dressed London policeman will wear:—

Open-necked single-breasted jacket of Liverpool serge with stop collar, neck cuts taken out of gorge; five large chromium-plated buttons and holes on front; four small chromium-plated buttons and holes for shoulder straps and pocket flaps.

And the cost? A few shillings more than the old type of tunic, which varied between 57s. and 65s.

Round One to Reynaud . . . But now the gamble

PARIS, Aug. 16.
 I DON'T seem to be able to go the rounds of my parish these days without finding everything closed down the moment I get into a town.

In Istanbul last week-end the Orient Express had hardly pulled in than the shutters went up for the Mohammedan feast of Bairam.

Here I am now in Paris, and again everything is closed. They are having a bank holiday. Any tourists who arrived after 4 p.m. on Thursday are out of luck. They will not be able to cash their £35 until the banks open again on Tuesday.

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The only people not on holiday are the politicians. The 17 delegates of the O.E.E.C. (Organisation for European Economic Co-operation) are meeting here daily. Many of them are complaining that their countries are getting far too little out of the 4,875 million dollars now being allocated for the first year of Marshall aid, and that France and Britain are getting too much.

The delegates are grumbling so hard that they are even putting in an extra meeting today. Some say the grumbling will end in rejection of the allocation scheme, the breakdown of the plan in its first stage, and discord among the Marshall nations.

This would supply the Kremlin with further encouraging evidence of Western disunion. Russian stubbornness in the Moscow talks would be stiffened.

The politicians of the French Parliament are also in Paris this week-end hard at work. Their efforts, however, should have a better effect on Moscow. For they are signing the blank cheque demanded by Finance Minister Reynaud—everyone here is agreed that the Enabling Bill will receive its second reading without a hitch next week.

This should assure that France is safe from another Government crisis at least until December 10, when Reynaud has to put his financial programme before the Assembly. Most probably, so I am told, it will last well into next year. In fact, one French politician, to whose judgment I have learned to attach faith, insists that this new Government is going to prove the strongest, the most efficient, and most durable France has seen since the war.

The Marshall allocation dispute, however, is a dangerous snag. For Reynaud's plan of financial and economic reform, with which he means to put an end to the race between the rising cost of living and workers' wages, depends on France being given the 1,000 million dollars allocated to her for the coming year.

If Reynaud doesn't get this 1,000 million dollars there will be strikes, disorders, and the new Government, despite the vote of the Assembly, will be as weak and as fragile as the previous French Government.

(Editor's Note:—The Government of Andre Marie resigned at the end of last week because the Socialists would not agree to Reynaud's plan.)

TURKEY:

MOSCOW is wooing Turkey. Ambassador Lavrichiev has given orders to his staff in Ankara to drop the old policy of dour isolation.

Soviet diplomats as a result of their new orders are going out to parties and restaurants, not sticking in their homes as they used to. They are all smiles and friendliness. Even Lavrichiev's family has been mobilised for the operation. Living next to the Soviet Embassy in Ankara is a Turkish family with two small boys about the age of the two small sons of Ambassador Lavrichiev.

The other day the two small Turks reported that the two small Russians had come out into the field between their houses and had shyly offered to play with them.

BULGARIA:

I CAN'T help feeling that we may soon be hearing some dramatic news about Georgi Dimitrov, Bulgaria's veteran Communist leader. He has been playing a tricky game trying to keep both Stalin and Tito. And I don't think he is through with it yet.

When I was on my way through Sofia Dimitrov was on holiday. Staying with him and his family during this vacation was Dragoycheva, the Bulgarian woman Communist. This is significant.

For Dragoycheva is in disgrace with Moscow. By Moscow's orders Dragoycheva, one of the oldest and most senior of the Sofia party, was thrown out of the Bulgarian Politburo after she, like Tito, had taken up the cause of the peasants.

She publicly opposed the collectivisation of their land demanded by Stalin. Now, even Communists as high up as Dimitrov do not as a rule dare to defy Moscow by openly associating with a Communist in disgrace.

To my mind, this holiday party lends colour to reports that Dimitrov seriously considered joining Tito in his rebellion and setting up the Bulgarian-Yugoslav republic they had agreed on despite Moscow's displeasure and despite Tito's trouble with the Cominform.

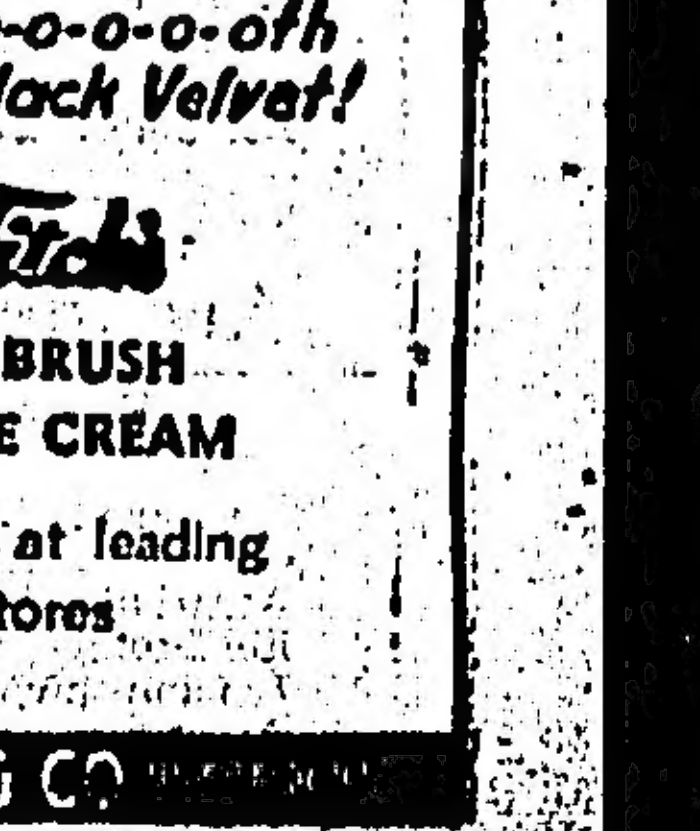
Some people even say that he is still considering a rebellion of this kind. The facts are that, after Moscow's public rebuff to Dimitrov in February, when Moscow rejected Dimitrov's declaration about the desirability of a Balkan federation, and, too, after the serious trouble had begun in March between Tito and the Cominform, Dimitrov made two separate approaches to Tito. The first was in April, when Dimitrov in a public statement said that Moscow's declaration had referred to a general Balkan union, but not to the South Slav union proposed between Yugoslavia and Bulgaria.

A few weeks later, Dimitrov, on his way through Yugoslavia to Prague, wanted to stop off in Belgrade to see Tito and have a talk with him.

But Tito apparently himself did not dare at that time to enter on anything that looked like a conspiratorial gesture. He refrained from meeting Dimitrov himself and confined himself to sending his Foreign Minister. Dimitrov took this amiss. After the Cominform crisis had broken and all pictures of Tito had been removed from Bulgarian public buildings and the name of Tito scratched off the Marshal Tito Boulevard in Sofia, the Bulgarian Communist Party went into retreat for a whole week before they issued their statement.

When it came it contained a harsh passage criticising "the leadership of the party" for vainglorious self-willfulness and luxurious living, a charge which could only have been directed at Dimitrov himself.

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STARTING AMID RUINS OF A LOST WAR

Berlin, Aug. 29.—The second German Republic will be born on Wednesday, nine years from the day when Adolf Hitler started the war that destroyed his Third Reich. On that day the Assembly, which will lay the constitutional foundation, will meet at Bonn, on the Rhine.

Reds Lose Ground In Sweden

Stockholm, Aug. 29.—Communist chances of gaining ground in the Swedish Riksdag elections on September 19 look exceedingly slim.

On that date, Swedes will elect 230 members of the Lower Chamber of their Parliament for a period of four years beginning from January, 1949.

Pre-election soundings warrant the prediction that the Swedish Communists will lose at least half of their 14 seats in the present Assembly.

The question whether the election result will produce a Cabinet crisis hinges on the Social Democrat showing. If seats they are expected to gain from the Communists are sufficient to make up for likely losses to the Centre parties, the Social Democrat absolute majority in the second chamber would be maintained, as well as the right to a one-party Cabinet.

But there is widespread dissatisfaction among the rank and file of Swedes with the Social Democrat Government's handling of the country's economy. The valent charge is that the Government has been dissipating foreign assets to the point where the importation of vital raw materials must now be curtailed, bringing the prospect of large-scale unemployment.

A \$200,000,000 trade credit to the Soviet Union may also be held against the Government by Swedish voters.

If the elections bring a massive shift to the Centre and to the Socialists, then a Coalition Cabinet between the Social Democrats and the Centre is most probable, with either the Liberal People's Party or the Peasant Party occupying key posts of economy and finance.—Reuter.

Wilhelmina's Jubilee

The Hague, Aug. 29.—Queen Wilhelmina, who has been in retirement since May 13 owing to ill health, will tomorrow again become the constitutional head of the Netherlands for six days to celebrate her 60th birthday and Golden Jubilee on Tuesday.

Queen Wilhelmina will officially abdicate on the morning of September 4 and Princess Juliana, her daughter, will immediately be proclaimed ruler. The investiture of the new Queen will be held in the New Church of Amsterdam on September 5.

There will be no ceremony tomorrow when Queen Wilhelmina becomes Queen of the Netherlands for the third time. The Queen will merely sign a decree that she is assuming office for six days and that Princess Regent Juliana no longer exercises sovereign powers. Official messages of congratulations are expected to begin arriving tomorrow, and meanwhile Dutch postal authorities have asked the public not to delay in sending their telegrams of loyalty and have promised that none of them will be delivered until Jubilee Day.—Reuter.

BERLIN AIRLIFT FIGURES

Berlin, Aug. 29.—The Anglo-American airlift armada made 674 flights carrying an estimated 4,100 tons of foodstuffs into Berlin the 24-hour period ending at noon Sunday, the 67th day of the Soviet blockade of Berlin.

American planes made 394 sorties with 2,902 tons of supplies, the United States Air Force announced. The R.A.F. sent 280 planes into Berlin with an estimated 1,215 tons of supplies.

The British did not release an official figure on tonnage carried.—Associated Press.

Archduke Otto On World Flight

London, Aug. 29.—The Archduke Otto of Austria, Pretender to the Austrian Throne of Hapsburg, and his brother, the Duke of Este, left London airport tonight in a Pan-American plane on a round-the-world flight.—Reuter.

Polio Victim Undergoes Caesarian



Mrs. Maurine Luker, 36, of Long Beach, Calif., wife of a post-office employee, looks at her seven-pound boy born via Caesarian section at the Los Angeles General hospital where Mrs. Luker, a polio victim, is confined to a respirator. Artificial respiration kept her alive for 45 minutes while she was out of the iron lung for the operation.—AP Picture.

NOTED CZECH WELCOMED TO LONDON

London, Aug. 29.—Dr Peter Zenkl, the 64-year-old former Deputy Premier of Czechoslovakia, alleged soon after his arrival in London by air today that since the Communist coup d'état in Czechoslovakia his life had been in "danger" all the time.

Dr Zenkl declared: "The last six months were the worst for me and my wife than my six years in the concentration camp at Buchenwald. Now that I am liberated I have the same feeling; as when I left the concentration camp."

He said that he came to Britain to help his colleagues and other "refugees" from Czechoslovakia. "We shall work to free our country from the Communists. Freedom must come, and if it comes without fighting we shall be happy," he said.

Dr Zenkl, who arrived with his wife, expects to be in Britain for about two weeks before going to the United States. He revealed some of the details of his escape on August 7.

"With my wife and two watchers I was always watched—I left my flat in Prague to visit my brother's grave 18 miles away at Karlstein. We were all put into a lorry, and less than four hours later we were in the American Zone and safe."

"We were all blindfolded in the lorry so that we could not see who saved us. It was done for security reasons."

Dr Zenkl refused to say whether he knew that he was to be helped to leave Czechoslovakia on August 7. He was almost in tears at the reception he received at the airport.

In London, he is joining five former Czech Ministers and about 20 Members of Parliament who are trying to form an organisation of social welfare and information to help Czech refugees.—Reuter.

H.K. Anglers Meet

The Hongkong Angling Society held a meeting in the Board Room of the South China Morning Post last week at which the Memorandum and Articles of Association were passed. The rules of the Society were read and some amendments were made before they were passed.

One member suggested that an entrance fee should be introduced. The meeting decided that there should be no entrance fee, and that the annual subscription should continue to be \$10 until the next annual general meeting in April 1949.

Four new committee members, who are particularly interested in sea fishing, were elected. The Chairman, Mr. J. T. Prior, expressed the hope that a great deal could be done by the Society to improve sea, river, and pond fishing in the Colony.

Members of the Committee are: J. T. Prior, Chairman; A. E. Gutterer, Honorary Treasurer; Mrs. A. J. Staple, Honorary Secretary; P. K. Lau, Capt. O'Farrell, D. Phillips, N. K. Littlejohn, Colin Cairns, A. L. Gutterer, W. Orchard and H. O. Gardner.

Success Of Currency Reform Will Determine Nanking's Future

Washington, Aug. 29.—Republican Representative James Fulton, member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, in an interview with the United Press, predicted today that the future of the present Chinese Government depends on the success of the new currency reform announced two weeks ago.

Rep. Fulton said: "If the new currency can be made into something the people will accept as a basic means of exchange, then the economy of China will be stabilised. On the other hand, failure in the field of currency could result in the collapse of the government."

Rep. Fulton explained: "The basic question is whether the given stabilised currency and the new starting point of the government can so manage the affairs of the Chinese people that it will stop a further inflationary spiral. It is unable to do so, the entire economic and political structure might collapse."

Rep. Fulton, who also is a member of the Congressional "watchdog" committee of the ECA, has been interested in China ever since his election to the House of Representatives. He and Republican Representative Walter Judd of Minnesota were leaders in the House fight to increase the amount of funds for China aid during the past session of Congress.

THE NEXT STEP
He said in the interview: "Inflation in China is understandable at present, but continuing or increasing inflation is another question. The problem is not just inflation but whether the government can keep it within bounds now that they have a new starting point."

Rep. Fulton said that units of the currency are meaningless in themselves but must be considered in relation to the lives and well-being of the people using them.

He said: "The next step in China is for the people themselves to show faith in the government steps towards construction and rehabilitation by showing confidence in economics and currency and co-operating with governmental efforts."

Rep. Fulton continued: "This is the first opportunity that the Chinese Government and people have had in peacetime to show whether or not they can put together a working team to obtain the co-operation of the entire population. If the new currency is successful, it may even stop Communist influence in the north by strengthening democratic China."

CLOSE WATCH
He also said that the stable currency attracts capital goods and trade. He said: "If the government and people succeed in stabilising the currency as a good medium of exchange, the effect will be felt in surrounding states as well as in China itself. With a stable Chinese currency and the reopening of trade routes in the Pacific, China will have every chance to become a great trading nation of the East."

Rep. Fulton also declared that leaders of foreign policy in the Republican Party will be watching China closely in the next four months.

He said: "By sponsoring aid to China, over State Department objections, the Republican Party and Congressional leaders have offered a helping hand of partnership to China. What develops in China during the next four months of preparation and formulation of policy for the new Congress will mean a turning point in Chinese history."—United Press.

Umberto In Seville

Madrid, Aug. 29.—Ex-king Umberto of Italy arrived in Seville from Lisbon tonight and later drove to San Lucar de Barameda, where he is staying for a few days as the guest of Prince Alfonso of Orleans and Bourbon, a cousin of Don Juan's father, the late King Alfonso.—Reuter.

But Can The Dream Come True?

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When the Interlochen Congress assembles this week, one has been prepared by the Parliamentary Union's Juridical Committee under the chairmanship of M. Francois de Menthon.

The other comes from Mr. W. W. G. Mackay, Labourite and dynamic spokesman of the European Union idea on the left, who published his 6,000-word "blueprint" last week. It proposed that the "Marshall plan" countries banded together in the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation, shall be the "founder members" of the European Assembly.

RUSSIA EXCLUDED

Spain and the Eastern nations—with the exception of Russia—would be invited to join, provided they are willing to abide by the rules of the Assembly and subscribe to a declaration of human rights.

Although in Mr Mackay's view the most satisfactory method for convening the Constituent Assembly would be by election, based on adult franchise, he thinks this would cause delay and that the only practical course would be to use the existing Parliaments as leading bodies.

He would give each State two deputies for each million of its population and proposes that the Assembly be called in Paris for March 31, 1949.

Under Mr Mackay's plan, the Federation would be known as the "Union of Europe." Its legislative powers would be vested in a Parliament composed of a Senate and a Chamber of Deputies with executive power in the hands of a President elected by both Houses and a "Council" chosen by the Chamber of Deputies.

The far-reaching powers reserved to the Government of the "Union of Europe" would include foreign relations, defence, preservation of law and order within the Union, essential services, such as posts and other communications, broadcasting, immigration and emigration, as well as customs, currency and banking.—Reuter.

RECORD WHEAT EXPORTS

Melbourne, Aug. 29.—Australian wheat exports this year, totalling 105 million bushels up to August 21, are the biggest ever, Mr C. T. Chapman, acting Chairman of the Australian Wheat Board, said tonight.

The previous highest wheat figures were in 1939 to 1940, when 99 million bushels were exported. Stocks amounted to 70 million bushels, he added.

The surplus in Victoria had been shipped, Western Australian shipments were almost completed, but despite the great efforts to move the New South Wales wheat, it seemed certain that about 18 million bushels would be carried over to the beginning of the new season.—Reuter.

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13 Sentenced To Death

Athens, August 29.—Thirteen alleged members of the Communist underground—three women and 10 men—were sentenced to death by a court martial here yesterday. Seven other defendants got life imprisonment, 11 were sentenced to from one to 15 years and 21 acquitted.—United Press.

Tito's Life In Danger

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Imposed eventually upon the whole world.

"For Moscow, of course," Mr. Hollingworth wrote, "the ideal solution would be the replacement of Marshall Tito by a thoroughly reliable pro-Soviet stooge. But as Marshall Tito will never passively accept dismissal and as he still has the warm backing of a considerable majority of his countrymen, the only way to remove him is by force."—United Press.

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Heat Wave Deaths Nearly 150

New York, Aug. 29.—The death toll from the heat wave which has blanketed most of the United States for the past few days, had today risen to nearly 150. In New York itself, 20 people have died from the effect of heat.

Weather forecasters predicted a temporary relief for New York tonight, after four days with the thermometer around 100 degrees Fahrenheit.—Reuter.

A DAY'S GOLF BROUGHT HIM \$25,000:
HE DIED IN A PRISON CELL

THE CHAMP WASHED DISHES . . .

By EVELYN WEBBER

New York.—Cyril Walker, the little golfer from Manchester who won the 1924 American national open championship and died a fortnight ago in a prison bed, was "the man who would not listen."

He died as he had lived—alone, independent, self-willed.

He died hungry, too. When he arrived at New Jersey goal, destitute after a 200-mile hitch-hike from Miami, he would not listen when the police told him he needed something to eat.

He only shook his head when Miami friends advised him not to make the journey.

Walker's father, owner of a golf shop at Prestwich Golf Club, wanted him to become a stockbroker. And though Cyril went to work in a Manchester office, he spent his spare time on the links dreaming of the day when he would become a professional.

He left his job and persuaded his father to finance golfing instruction for him at Hoylake. Later he qualified twice for British Open championships.

A REBUFF CHANGED HIS LIFE

When he was 20, Cyril received a rebuff that changed his life. A competitor in a match snarled at him: "Get out of the way. You'll never be a good player." The diminutive Cyril, of the shrill voice, red face, large ears and immense

His younger brother William, who had joined him in America, lives in New Jersey. He is a golfing professional.

Cyril's wife and 25-year-old son, Ronald, an insurance agent, live there too.

William told me his brother never went to see them after the divorce. Nor did he ask for aid.

"He never listened to us," said William. "He just used to say, 'Take all the breaks and go on to the next play without worrying.'"

"The only remark he ever really heard was one made to him by Walter Hagen the day Cyril won the championship. Walter rushed up and said: 'Well, Cyril, we've all got to respect you now.'"

HOCKEY

Pakistan Swamps Belgium

Brussels, Aug. 29.—The Pakistan Olympic hockey team today beat a Belgian national XI by eight goals to zero, after leading by three goals to zero at half time.

Today's game was almost a repeat performance of last Sunday's match when the Belgian side lost by the same score to the Indian Olympic team.

Aziz, Mahmud and Hamid played brilliantly in the Pakistan forward line, and Belgium would undoubtedly have lost by an even bigger margin but for the great work by their goalkeeper, Verheeren, who could not be blamed for the trouncing his team received.

Right from the start, Pakistan went into the attack, and in the 11th minute Aziz scored from a long pass from Mahmud. Three minutes later, Hamid added another, and just before half time, Mahmud put Pakistan three ahead.

In the second half, Belgium's defence fell to pieces. After five minutes Hamid scored for Pakistan, and three minutes later Ghaffour scored a long pass from Aziz and netted. Within a period of six minutes, Aziz scored three goals to make the total eight, two by individual effort and one from a pass from Hamid.—Reuter.

INDIA ALSO WINS

Prague, Aug. 29.—The Indian Olympic team beat Sport Club Hradstava here by five goals to one today, after leading three goals to one at half time.

G. Singh (2), Clodius, Fernandez and Jasswar scored for the Indians.—Reuter.

Citation Wins American Derby

Chicago, Aug. 29.—America's champion three-year-old Citation, galloped to a length victory in the American Derby at Washington Park yesterday, a victory worth \$16,012, bringing Citation's earnings to \$162,937 1/2 (\$5051,750) in 18 months of racing.

This is the third greatest sum ever won by a horse. Citation, by Bull Lea out of Hydroplane, started at 10/1 on, and won from Free America. He covered the one and a quarter miles in two minutes and 1-3/5 seconds.—Reuter.

CHANTILLY EVENT

Paris, Aug. 29.—M. Leon Volterra's Amour Drake, by Admiral Drake out of Vers L'Aurore, won the 400,000 francs Prix D'Arenale for two-year-olds over six furlongs at Chantilly today by two and a half lengths and five lengths from Charleval and Fast One in a field of four.

The winner, ridden by Rocco "Togo" Johnston, started favourite paying 17 francs for a 10-franc win stake on the pari-mutuel. Place dividends on his 11 francs and 11 francs.—Reuter.

Baseball Scores

New York, Aug. 29.—The results of matches played today in the major United States baseball leagues were:

American League	
New York 3	Cleveland 2
Boston 6	Chicago 7
Washington 5	Detroit 7
Philadelphia 5	St. Louis 4

National League	
Cincinnati 0	Brooklyn 2
St. Louis 5	New York 6
St. Louis 5	New York 6
Chicago 4	Boston 5
Pittsburgh 2	Philadelphia 9
Pittsburgh 7	Philadelphia 11

—Reuter.

BALKAN GAMES

Belgrade, Aug. 29.—The athletics championships of the Balkans and Central Europe will take place here from September 10 to 19.

The countries who have signed their intention to take part are Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, Rumania, Bulgaria, and the Free Territory of Trieste.—Reuter.

KEYS FOR TEES



Forced off the fairways by rain, these contestants in the American Women's National Open Golf Championship got around a piano to hear Babe Zaharias beat the ivory.

Left to right at the piano are Betty Hicks, Detroit; Babe Zaharias and Patty Berg, Minneapolis.

Standing, left to right, Sally Sessions, North Muskegon, Mich.; Helen Detweiler, Chevy Chase, Md.; Katherine Hemphill, Greensboro, N.C.; Mary Moezel, Portland, Ore.; Hope Seigneous, Greensboro; Helen Sigel, Philadelphia; Ann Casey, Mason City, Ia.

The tournament is being held at Northfield, N.J.—A.P. Wirephoto.

THE OLYMPIC GAMES

Short Of The Triple Hop Everything's Been Tried

By RECORDER

There can be events without limit in athletic competition and in the modern Olympic Games series there have been some that have since been abandoned after being considered, finally, a little on the far-fetched side.

The programme has been pared down to its present form which gives little ground for criticism other than that an intermediate running distance between the 1,500 and 5,000 metres, say the 3,000 metres, could well be included, as could one between the 10,000 metres and the Marathon, which is just over 40 kilometres.

Long since abandoned are the 60 metres dash, the standing long and high jumps, the throws on an aggregate for either hand, the Greek-style Discus throw, and the Pentathlon.

In the course of the 40 years' history of the modern Games series, various suggestions have been put up for new events, but most of these fell through.

One of these was the pole vault for distance rather than height, a regular event on American athletic programmes many years ago but now abandoned for a good score of years.

The Americans, in their National Championship, still keep up the 50-lb. weight throw and the English yet retain the tug-of-war, once for a brief period an Olympic event till the incident the 1800 London Games when the Americans kicked up a fuss about the British team, represented by the London Metropolitan Police, using hob-nailed boots to get a grip on the ground.

Here are the summaries for the odd athletic events at the Games, concluding the tabulation of Olympic finalists and semifinalists in track and field athletics:

MARATHON RUN

1. Delfo Cabrera (Argentina)	2:34:51.0
2. Tom Richards (Britain)	2:35:07.0
3. E. Gailly (Belgium)	2:35:33.0
4. Johannes Coleman (S. Africa)	2:36:06
5. E. C. Guinez (Argentina)	2:36:34
6. S. T. Luyt (South Africa) ..	2:38:11
7. G. Oestling (Sweden)	2:38:40.6
8. J. Sysas (Norway)	2:38:41
9. A. P. Sensini (Argentina) ..	2:39:30
10. H. K. Larsen (Denmark)	2:41:22
11. Viljo Heino (Finland)	
12. A. Melin (Sweden)	

JAVELIN THROW

1. Tapio Lehtivaara (Finland)	226: 0/4
2. Steve Seymour (USA)	221: 7/4
3. J. Varszegi (Hungary)	210: 11
4. P. K. Vesterinen (Finland)	216: 2
5. Odd Maelum (Norway)	214: 3/4
6. Martin Biles (USA)	213: 0/4

The semi-finalists, who threw 209 feet 11 inches or over were A. Berglund (Sweden), G. Pettersson (Sweden), Lumir Klecswetter (Czechoslovakia), M. Vujacic (Yugoslavia), S. M. Nikkineh (Finland) and Bob Likens (USA).

HAMMER THROW

1. Imre Nemeth (Hungary)	163: 11/4
2. I. Gubijan (Yugoslavia)	170: 0/4
3. Bob Bennett (USA)	170: 3/4
4. Sam Felton (USA)	170: 0/4
5. L. E. O. Tamminen (Finland)	174: 1/4
6. Bosse Ericsson (Sweden)	173: 0

DECATHLON

1. Bob Mathias (USA) ..	7,130
2. Ignace Halmich (France)	6,974
3. Bob Simmons (USA) ..	6,954
4. Enrique Kistenmacher (Argentina)	6,929

AMERICA'S MILLIONS MOURN THE 'BABE'

£20,000-A-Year Man Came From Slums

By FREDERICK COOK

NEW YORK.

President Truman led a mourning nation in its tributes to Babe Ruth, America's baseball idol.

Said Truman: "He had all the qualities of a hero." Babe Ruth was a rough, tough, good-hearted product of the slums who battled his way to the top.

When he retired the Babe was able to live in affluence. He maintained a large apartment overlooking the Hudson River in New York.

Despite wild extravagances of his earlier years—when he was a monster party thrower and an incredibly lavish tipper—Ruth at 45 was able to count on a monthly income of £625.

One of Babe Ruth's weaknesses was that he could never remember a name. The result was his home-made rule: "If they look under 40 I call 'em kid. If more, I call 'em all Doc. They none of 'em seem to mind."

Many thousands of boys who were not even born when the Babe was in his heyday are grieving today the loss of their hero.

In his time he had autographed thousands of baseball bats and taught thousands of boys how to put that twist into their delivery.

"I never had much in the way of a boyhood myself," he used to say, "I like to give the kids a break."

Babe Ruth was 53 when death came. For many months he had fought throat cancer of the type that took his friend Damon Runyon.

He knew his days were numbered. Yet in the last summer of his life—frail, bent, pallid, his once mighty voice cut to a pitiful rasping whisper—he made scores of public appearances wherever his services were sought in a good cause.

He received the biggest "play" ever to be given in the American Press to a public sports idol as he lay in death.

REFORM SCHOOL

The "Bambino" was raised in a water-front bar room in Baltimore. He was so unmanageable that his parents sent him to a reformatory run by the local Catholic Fathers.

There he remained nine years. The Fathers failed to make him work at anything but baseball, and often came within an ace of sending him away.

Ruth was signed to a good contract while still a youth and travelled in the next few years from club to club climbing ever higher financially.

In 1920 he was sold to a famous New York club, the Yankees, for the then record sum of £31,250.

Within a season or two Ruth had put the Yankees on the map. They built a vast new stadium with 70,000 seats.



BABE RUTH

Officially they called it the Yankee Stadium, but to baseball fans everywhere it was known as The House that Babe Built.

Ruth lived rough, gambled wildly, drank deeply and fed with a gargantuan appetite. His refusal to take care of himself, his talent for ignoring rules of training, led to more than one breakdown, and finally to a fine of 5,000 dollars deducted from his pay.

His wife bore him two children, both of whom died in infancy. In 1929 she died in a fire in Boston. A few months later Ruth married, a former actress, Claire Hodgson.

HIS SECOND WIFE

The second Mrs Ruth reformed him. In the closing years of his career he trained faithfully and always fulfilled his obligations to his public.

He became a shrewd business man. The year after his second marriage he signed a contract at £20,000 a year.

At the close of his 22-year career in major baseball, it was estimated he had earned in salary £224,000 plus £10,000 as his share of receipts from the world series games, plus at least £250,000 from his barnstorming tours, vaudeville appearances, endorsements of products and radio appearances.

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The Channel Swimmers

Dover, England, Aug. 29.—Tom Blower, 34-year-old Nottingham swimmer, entered the water at Dover at 19.14 hours GMT tonight on the start of his attempt to swim the English Channel both ways.

He said he would spend 15 or 20 minutes ashore in France, have a meal there and then re-enter the water for the return swim.

He hopes to beat the record set up by E. H. Tomme of 16 hours, 54 minutes for the swim from England to France.

Blower swam the Channel from France to England in 1937.

EGYPTIANS

Folkestone, England, Aug. 29.—Three of four Egyptians attempting to swim the English Channel from France were reported about half way across at 18.00 hours GMT today by passengers on a cross Channel steamer.

The passengers said on arrival at Folkestone that three swimmers were sighted on a line midway between Dover and Folkestone. They were not identified.

The four Egyptians scheduled to make the attempt were Marich Hassan, Harad, Hassan, Abdel Rehim, Fahmy Attallah and Abdel Megd, Mohammed.

It was expected the swimmers would reach the coast near Dover at about 21.00 hours GMT if all went well.

The weather was sunny and the sea was calm.

At 20.50 hours GMT, the Egyptian swimmers were reported less than half a mile from the beach at St Margaret's Bay between Dover and Deal.—Associated Press.

PRO CYCLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Amsterdam, Aug. 29.—Van Vliet, of Holland, won the world professional sprint cycling championship for the second time when the world championships were continued here today, beating Gerardin, of France, in two straight heats in the final.

Van Vliet's other title was won in 1938, also in Amsterdam. He qualified for the final by beating Senfiteben, of France, in two straight heats in the semi-finals today, while Gerardin beat Plattner of Switzerland by two heats out of three.

Van Vliet bested Gerardin by half a length in each of the two final heats, his time for the last 200 metres in each being 12.3 seconds.

Senfiteben took third place by defeating Plattner in two straight heats in a match for third and fourth places.

Lamboly of France won the motor-paced world title, covering 100 kilometres in one hour, 20 minutes, 10.3 seconds. Frenko of Italy was second, Meuleman, of Belgium, third, De Best of Holland fourth, Lescur of France fifth and Pronk of Holland sixth.

Clauter of Belgium and Bakker of Holland retired.—Reuter.

Purge In Albania Under Way

YUGOSLAVIA SYMPATHISERS ARRESTED BY THE SCORE

Belgrade, Aug. 29.—A widespread purge of Albanian Communists sympathetic towards Yugoslavia started today on orders of the Albanian Premier, Colonel General Enver Hoxha.

An unimpeachable source disclosed that up to now over 3,000 Albanians have been arrested. Two thousand of these were gaoled before economic relations with Yugoslavia were broken at the beginning of July and 1,000 since then.

SOVIETS' KIDNAPPING CAMPAIGN

Berlin Observers Note Implications

Berlin, Aug. 29.—Russia's campaign of arrests and kidnappings is a halfway measure which could be a "practice" for a full-scale reign of terror, the Americans said today.

The Americans point out that to date all the dozen German police and six Americans snatched since last weekend had been returned. None had been seriously mistreated. The Russians, however, find on the line the fact that they can and will snatch hostages in Berlin, according to these Americans.

It would be almost as easy to have these hostages "disappear" as to return them, the Americans believe.

BARGAINING WEAPON

The Russians, it is believed, could use the disappearances of Westerners as an additional bargaining pressure applied together with the Communist street demonstrations should the present Moscow talks be kicked downstairs to Germany's four Military Governors.

Berlin Communists proved last week that they can stage effective street marches when they twice smashed through the iron gate of Berlin's City Hall and forced the postponement of Berlin's anti-Communist City Assembly.

The mobs could have done more, but obviously they had orders to go only so far. The Russian-controlled police did little to stop their violence.

One purpose of the additional Russian squeezes in Berlin would be to raise completely the condition laid down by the West before going to Moscow that they would not negotiate under duress.—United Press.

BIG INCREASE IN SEX CRIMES

London, Aug. 29.—The number of sex crimes has nearly doubled in Britain since 1938, according to a Home Office report entitled "Crime Statistics for 1946" just published.

There has been a steady increase every year in sex crimes from 5,018 cases in 1938 to 9,329 in 1946. The figures for 1947 are not yet available, but it is considered certain that they will show further considerable increase.—Reuter.

PRINCESS ELIZABETH'S DIAMOND



This rare 54-carat pink rough diamond was presented to Her Royal Highness Princess Elizabeth by Dr. J. T. Williamson of Tanganyika, a Canadian geologist who discovered the large diamond-bearing deposit in Tanganyika in 1941 and is the proprietor of Williamson Diamonds Limited, which now handles diamond production in Tanganyika. This diamond has been cut to achieve the largest possible brilliant cut diamond from the rough, at the works of Messrs. Irfel and Lemer, Clerkenwell Green, London. The cut stone has lost less than one millimetre in diameter. The cutting process took three months' continuous work. A close and frequent inspection is carried out by this craftsman at the "brilliantizing" stage of Princess Elizabeth's unique gift. At this stage the final facets which give the diamond its brilliance are put on the stone.

Mistaken Identity

Why UN Plane Was Shot Down

Stockholm, Aug. 29.—Count Folke Bernadotte, the United Nations Palestine mediator, today received two preliminary reports on the death of two French officers serving as United Nations observers yesterday morning in a United Nations plane over the Egyptian-held Gaza area of Southern Palestine.

The two Frenchmen, Lieutenant-Colonel Joseph Querau and Captain P. Jeannel were killed when Egyptian Army units fired at their plane.

The reports came from Count Bernadotte's Chief of Staff in Haifa and from representatives in Cairo. Reports indicate that the incident was due to the fact that neither the Egyptians at Gaza nor the Egyptian General Headquarters were asked for clearance beforehand and the plane was mistaken for a Jewish one.

A special United Nations investigation team has now reached Gaza to check the causes of the incident. Several points remained unclear. The plane was painted white and had United Nations markings on it. The incident occurred in broad daylight at 8.45 a.m.

OFFICIAL REGRETS

The Egyptian Government today sent a cable to Count Bernadotte conveying its regrets at the death by Egyptian machine-gun fire of the two French United Nations observers who were flying over Gaza.

The cable also states that the United Nations markings were not visible on the plane which was flying at 300 feet and was "moreover following the wrong corridor access to Gaza."

"Not only did the Egyptian officers, but two observers, a Belgian and a Frenchman present on the field, mistake the plane for Jewish," concluded the cable which was signed by Colonel Nouk of the Egyptian Ministry of National Defence.

Colonel Nouk's message explained that United Nations observers had not used this type of plane over the Egyptian line before and when it approached the airfield, the Egyptians fired warning shots. The pilot did not make any change toward the correct corridor. Then bursts of machine-gun fire blazed away at the plane and downed it.—United Press.

Hurricane Stops In Its Tracks

Miami, Florida, Aug. 29.—The Atlantic hurricane, which has been threatening the United States East Coast, came to a full stop 600 miles east of Daytona Beach, Florida, today.

The weather bureau said its threat to the Georgia and Carolina coast had only been delayed, however, and had not diminished.

A bureau spokesman said the future movement of the small but violent storm is uncertain but added it will probably move in a west-northwesterly direction.—Associated Press.

Dutch Housewives Incensed

The Hague, Aug. 29.—Housewives and butchers are incensed by the Ministry of Agriculture's decision to prohibit the sale of pork until the end of 1949. The Ministry states that the decision was taken because Holland's stock of porkers has decreased to 867,000 due to the slaughtering of 1,500,000 pigs in 1947 and 1948.—Reuter.

'Tokyo Rose' Faces Trial



Mrs. Iva To guri D'Aquino, 32, alleged to be the "Tokyo Rose" who broadcasted Japanese propaganda during the war, poses in Tokyo with her husband, Philip, 27, shortly after the U.S. Attorney-General ordered her arrest and announced she would be tried in San Francisco on charges of treason.—AP Picture.

BRITAIN'S "FAG" FAMINE

London, Aug. 29.—Got a cigarette chum? That's a question you'll hear very often these days in Britain, where the cigarette and pipe tobacco shortage—the worst since the war—is the chief topic of conversation. A panic has been on the last couple of weeks with most smokers attempting to do a little quiet hoarding on the side and all sorts of weird and wonderful brands finding their way into the tobacconists' shelves.

The authorities say the shortage is "largely artificial" and explain it this way: The dollar shortage has meant a reduction of the manufacturers' stocks and a consequent narrowing of the retailers' "margin" supplies. This, combined with the consumers' desire to keep at least one day's supply ahead, has brought about the shortage.

Sir Alexander Maxwell, the tobacco adviser to the Board of Trade, told a recent press conference that if smokers would cut down consumption by one cigarette each a day, the shortage would practically disappear.

SMUGGLING GROWS But buyers do not seem too eager to take him up on the suggestion and the shortage has continued unabated at the weekend. It has meant, among other things, an increase in reported cases of attempted tobacco smuggling.

The supplies of this commodity in the Channel Islands and Elze are better than in the United Kingdom and the shortage has continued unabated at the weekend. It has meant, among other things, an increase in reported cases of attempted tobacco smuggling.

The Evening Standard stuck a foot in the hornet's nest last week when it suggested, in an editorial, that during the shortage it would be a nice gesture if women would cut down on smoking. Letters by feminine readers to the editor curled that worthy's hair!

But men liked the idea and a battle of the sexes has raged since. "Only one woman in a thousand knows how to smoke," said one male correspondent. "The rest just 'puff' after the style of children blowing bubbles."

NOT STORING URANIUM Too Difficult Say U.S. Experts

Washington, Aug. 29.—Uranium, the raw material of atomic bombs, is too difficult to store and none is being stored away in the United States' US\$3,400,000,000 war chest.

This was shown in a report on "Operation Squirrel," as the U.S. Munitions Board's stockpiling of critical war materials is unofficially called.

Uranium, radium and 17 other materials are classed as "posing problems of storage such as outweigh the advantage of stockpiling them."

Because of the "unsettled international conditions," the Board's previous slow, steady buying of 67 items has increased.

Some US\$400,000,000 will be spent or obligated by June 1949 of which US\$212,000,000 will actually be delivered.

In contrast, only US\$87,000,000 worth of materials was delivered in the two years since the stockpiling programme started. About 25 percent of the overall goal of US\$3,402,997,000 is on hand or "in sight," the Board reported, but hinted that with costs rising, the goal may be raised.

The Board explained, "National security now requires accelerated stockpiling" and though the Board has tried to avoid disturbing civilian recovery by hoarding scarce materials needed in domestic production, security comes first.—Associated Press.

CZECH BISHOPS IN PROTEST

Level Charges Against Govt.

Prague, Aug. 29.—A Catholic Bishops' memorandum to the Czech Government, read in churches throughout the country today, charged that a secret anti-church fight has been started. It called on Government to end the "systematic battle" against the Church.

The letter was read amidst the deadlock between the church and state on the fate of Catholic schools of which the Government has demanded control, church refusal to "endorse" the Communist regime, and the status of priests participating in Government.

The 1,000 word letter asserted: Catholic bishops have been attacked as "enemies of the people." The state has broken its promise to reach an agreement on religious questions.

MUZZLING TACTICS

"A secret anti-church and anti-religious fight has started. This follows the same pattern used against the church and religion in other countries."

"Recent measures... tend towards muzzling public church manifestations and speeches the freedom of which had been guaranteed by constitution."

"Competent state representatives have acted in distrust towards the church by banning almost all Catholic public meetings in Bohemia and Moravia."

"Under the pretext of 'progressiveness' of priests, even our loyal priests are now being ostracized." The memorandum was drafted by the Czechoslovak Episcopate at a meeting called by Joseph Beran, Archbishop of Prague.

DISOBEDIENCE

The memorandum referred to Father Josef Polhar, Minister of Health in the new regime, and two of the priests who have been suspended from church functions for participating in politics without church approval.

"We have already explained that suspension... is not a punishment for political activity or for endorsement of the people's democracy, but a punishment for disobedience," it added.

"We hope that this memorandum will be accepted with the same good will and frankness with which it is submitted and that the Government will see to it that an end is put to the systematic fight against the Catholic Church."—United Press.

Hundred Years Of Weather Reporting

London, Aug. 29.—The first official weather service in Britain started a hundred years ago today and the Air Ministry marked the centenary by re-issuing the forecast that was published in the Daily News on August 31, 1848.

The present meteorological office came into existence in 1855 and has been administered by the Air Ministry since 1910.—Reuter.

DEFIANCE OF UN

Jerusalem, Aug. 29.—Jewish and Arab forces in Jerusalem ignored the three demands by the United Nations authorities today to withdraw from occupied fighting positions. United Nations Observers were fired on in one area.—Reuter.

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